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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: ARRANGEMENT FOR CONNECTING AN  
OPTICAL WAVEGUIDE TO A  
MICROPROCESSOR-CONTROLLED  
ELECTRICAL APPLIANCE

Examiner: B. Healy

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the Notice of Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated April 19, 2006, for which a response is due on May 19, 2006. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.